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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTAL**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.		076883-0268936
First Inventor		Robert J. Dunst Jr. et al.
Title	Method and System of Managing On-the-Shelf Retail Inventories	
Express Mail Label No.		EL754073380US

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Specification [Total Pages 22 ]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 6 ]
- Oath or Declaration(s)-4 [Total Sheets 8 ]
- a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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- ii. ☐ paper
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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))-3 Assignments
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).  
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17. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

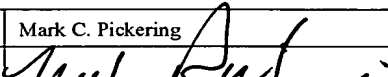
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☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Prior application information: Examiner \_\_\_\_\_ Group Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

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		Filing Date	Herewith
		First Named Inventor	Robert J. Dunst Jr. et al.
		Examiner Name	Unknown
		Group Art Unit	Unknown
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- ☒ Charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17  
☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

**2. X Payment Enclosed:**☒ Check   ☐ Money Order   ☐ Other**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

LARGE ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
101	710	201	355	Utility	710
106	320	206	160	Design	
107	490	207	245	Plant	
108	710	208	355	Reissue	
114	150	214	75	Provisional	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>					<b>710</b>

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
19 - 20 **	= 0	x 18	= \$ 0
Independent	3 - 3	= 0	= \$ 0
Multiple Dep.		*	= \$ *

\*\* or number previously paid, if greater; for Reissues, see below:

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
103	18	203	9	Claim in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	** Reissue ind. claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

**SUBTOTAL (2)**     \$0**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. Additional Fees**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2520	139	2520	Filing a request for re-examination	
112	920*	112	920*	Req. publ. of SIR prior to Ex. Action	
113	1840*	113	1840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within 1 <sup>st</sup> mo.	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within 2 <sup>nd</sup> mo.	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within 3 <sup>rd</sup> mo.	
118	1390	218	695	Extension for reply within 4 <sup>th</sup> mo.	
128	1890	228	945	Extension for reply with 5 <sup>th</sup> mo.	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1510	138	1510	Pet to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	130	123	50	Petition related to provisional apps.	
126	180	126	180	Submission of IDS Statement	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (x no. of properties)	40
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rej.	
149	710	249	355	For each add'l. invention to be examined ( 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Exam. (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Req. for expedited exam. of a design app.	

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid **SUBTOTAL (3)**

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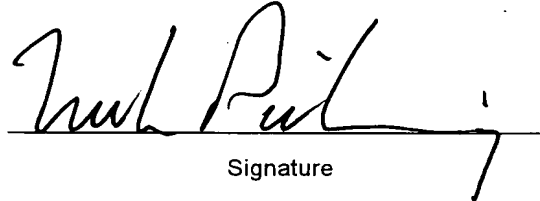
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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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Atty Docket Number	076883-0268936

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not** be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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